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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of
Diehl, Frank

Serial No.: 10/082,395

Filed: February 25, 2002

For: PROCESS FOR BINDING
NUCLEIC ACIDS TO A
CARRIER



Group Art Unit: 1634

Examiner: Forman, Betty J.

Docket No.: 22012.PUS

Date: ^{May 12,} February 10, 2004

To the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks:

Sir:

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM FINAL REJECTION BY THE EXAMINER
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Applicant hereby gives Notice of Appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Final Rejection of the Examiner dated **November 12, 2003**. Rejected Claims 13-20 and 24-26 in this application are hereby appealed.

A **Three-Month Extension of Time Request** is concurrently filed herewith making the time for this Appeal **MAY 12, 2004**.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee amount of \$165.00 to Deposit Account 18-0990 to cover the Appeal fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 18-0990.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eugene E. Renz, Jr.", written over a horizontal line.

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